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SUBJECT: NEWS RELEASE REGARDING THE NRO.

FOLLOWING IS CONTENT OF NRO MESSAGE DATED 18 DEC 73:

L QUOTE "WE HAVE NOTED RECENT NEWS ARTICLES WHICH DISCUSS THE EXISTENCE AND FUNCTION OF THE NRO. WE EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE CONCERTED ATTEMPTS TO UNCOVER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING NRO ORGANIZATIONAL, MANAGEMENT, AND CONTRACTUAL STRUCTURES. SO FAR, THE SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE NOT BEEN RELIABLE, HOWEVER THERE MAY BE MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND CONFUSION CREATED BY THE ARTICLES. WE REGARD THIS PERIOD OF TIME AS BEING CRITICAL FOR THE CONTINUED EFFECTIVENESS OF THE NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM. ACCORD-INGLY, YOU SHOULD MAKE IT IMMEDIATELY UNDERSTOOD TO YOUR CLEARED PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTORS THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO POLICY CHANGES REGARDING THEIR TREATMENT OF THE NRO AND THAT PRESENT

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SHOULD BE ENFORCED. SHOULD YOU OR YOUR CONTRACTORS BE CONTACTED BY NEWS MEDIA OR BY OTHERS SEEKING INFORMATION, REQUEST THAT YOU MAKE THE NRO STAFF IMMEDIATELY AWARE OF SUCH CONTACTS. UNQUOTE

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